

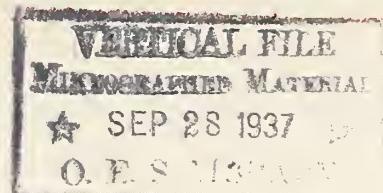
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TO GET THE BEST RESULTS
FROM A WASHING MACHINE

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A washing machine, to give good service, must have good care. There are many makes of electric washing machines, but practically all are simple in construction, strongly built, and easy to care for if properly used and lubricated. Each manufacturer furnishes definite directions for the care of his particular make, but there are certain points to be observed with any machine.

It is important to put in the correct amount of clothes for washing as specified by the maker of the machine. Overloading is hard on the clothes and hard on the machine. The water line is usually marked. If water is put in above it, there will be excessive splashing, and in many cases the efficiency of the washer is noticeably impaired. The motor should be thrown out of gear, always, before the current is turned on or off. If the gears are injured, the repairs may be very costly.

After use, the machine should be rinsed with fresh hot water, drained, and dried. The drain faucet or opening should be left open and the lid left up an inch or two to allow free circulation of air during the time the machine is not in use. Movable parts like the agitator or cylinder should be taken out and thoroughly dried, and the inside of the tub should be wiped dry.

Very fine scouring agents, such as whiting, may safely be used to remove stains on parts of the machine. Hot vinegar will sometimes

take off stains. Verdigris on copper tubs can be removed by a paste of whiting and oxalic acid, or by a solution of soapsuds and ammonia.

The electric plug should always be taken out of the socket as soon as work with the machine is finished and the connecting cord should be stored where it will not collect moisture or dirt. It is dangerous to oil or adjust any part of the washer while the cord is connected with the source of current.

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